you plant another crop for harvest on any acreage you were prevented from planting in the same crop year, even if you have a history of double cropping. If you have a Catastrophic Risk Protection Endorsement and receive a prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for a crop and are prevented from planting another crop on the same acreage, you may only receive the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance for the crop on which the prevented planting indemnity, guarantee, or amount of insurance is received; or

- (G) For which planting history or conservation plans indicate that the acreage would have remained fallow for crop rotation purposes.
- (v) For the purpose of determining eligible acreage for prevented planting coverage, acreage for all units will be combined and be reduced by the number of acres of the insured crop timely planted and late planted. For example, assume you have 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage in which you have a 100 percent (100%) share. The acreage is located in a single FSA Farm Serial Number which you insure as two separate optional units consisting of 50 acres each. If you planted 60 acres of the insured crop on one optional unit and 40 acres of the insured crop on the second optional unit, your prevented planting eligible acreage would be reduced to zero (i.e., 100 acres eligible for prevented planting coverage minus 100 acres planted equals zero).
- (5) In accordance with the provisions of section 6 (Report of Acreage) of the Common Crop Insurance Policy (§ 457.8), you must report by unit any insurable acreage that you were prevented from planting. This report must be submitted on or before the acreage reporting date. For the purpose of determining acreage eligible for a prevented planting production guarantee the total amount of prevented planting and planted acres cannot exceed the maximum number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage. Any acreage you report in excess of the number of acres eligible for prevented planting coverage, or that exceeds the number of eligible acres physically located in a unit, will be deleted from your acreage report.

Done in Washington, DC, on November 27, 1995.

Kenneth D. Ackerman,

Manager, Federal Crop Insurance Corporation.

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### **DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION**

## **Federal Aviation Administration**

#### 14 CFR Part 23

[Docket No. 129CE, Special Condition 23–ACE–84]

Special Conditions; Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C Airplanes

**AGENCY:** Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), DOT.

**ACTION:** Final special conditions; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** These special conditions are issued for the Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C airplanes modified by Elliott Aviation Technical Products Development, Inc., Moline, Illinois. These airplanes will have novel and unusual design features when compared to the state of technology envisaged in the applicable airworthiness standards. These novel and unusual design features include the installation of electronic displays for which the applicable regulations do not contain adequate or appropriate airworthiness standards for the protection of these systems from the effects of high intensity radiated fields (HIRF). These special conditions contain the additional safety standards that the Administrator considers necessary to establish a level of safety equivalent to the airworthiness standards applicable to these airplanes.

**DATES:** The effective date of these special conditions is December 7, 1995. Comments must be received on or before January 8, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be mailed in duplicate to: Federal Aviation Administration, Office of the Assistant Chief Counsel, ACE-7, Attention: Rules Docket Clerk, Docket No. 129CE, Room 1558, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106. All comments must be marked: Docket No. 129CE. Comments may be inspected in the Rules Docket weekdays, except Federal holidays, between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

# FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Ervin Dvorak, Aerospace Engineer, Standards Office (ACE–110), Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service, Federal Aviation Administration, 601 East 12th Street, Kansas City, Missouri 64106; telephone (816) 426–6941.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### Comments Invited

Although this action is in the form of a final rule that involves requirements affecting flight safety, and, thus, was not preceded by notice and an opportunity for public comment, comments are invited on these special conditions.

Interested persons are invited to submit such written data, views, or arguments as they may desire. Communications should identify the regulatory docket and special conditions number and be submitted in duplicate to the address specified above. All communications received on or before the closing date for comments will be considered by the Administrator. These special conditions may be changed in light of the comments received. All comments submitted will be available in the rules docket for examination by interested parties, both before and after the closing date for comments. A report summarizing each substantive public contact with FAA personnel concerning this rulemaking will be filed in the docket. Persons wishing the FAA to acknowledge receipt of their comments, submitted in response to this request, must include a self-addressed and stamped postcard on which the following statement is made: "Comments to Docket No. 129CE." The postcard will be date stamped and returned to the commenter.

# Background

On September 7, 1995, Elliott Aviation Technical Products Development, Inc., P.O. Box 100, Quad City Airport, Moline, IL 61266-0100, made an application to the FAA for a supplemental type certificate (STC) for the Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C airplanes. The proposed modification incorporates a novel or unusual design feature, such as digital avionics consisting of an electronic flight instrument system (EFIS), that is vulnerable to HIRF external to the airplane.

# Type Certification Basis

The type certification basis for the Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C airplanes is given in Type Certification Data Sheet No. A24CE plus the following: § 23.1301 of Amendment 23–20; §§ 23.1309, 23.1311, and 23.1321 of Amendment 23–41; and § 23.1322 of Amendment 23–43; exemptions, if any; and the special conditions adopted by this rulemaking action.

#### Discussion

The FAA may issue and amend special conditions, as necessary, as part of the type certification basis if the Administrator finds that the airworthiness standards, designated according to §21.101(b), do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards because of novel or unusual design features of an airplane. Special conditions are prescribed under the provisions of § 21.16 to establish a level of safety equivalent to that established in the regulations. Special conditions are normally issued according to § 11.49, after public notice, as required by §§ 11.28 and 11.29(b), effective October 14, 1980, and become a part of the type certification basis in accordance with § 21.101(b)(2).

**Elliott Aviation Technical Products** Development, Inc., plans to incorporate certain novel and unusual design features into an airplane for which the airworthiness standards do not contain adequate or appropriate safety standards for protection from the effects of HIRF. These features include electronic systems, which are susceptible to the HIRF environment, that were not envisaged by the existing regulations for

this type of airplane.

Protection of Systems from High Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF): Recent advances in technology have given rise to the application in aircraft designs of advanced electrical and electronic systems that perform functions required for continued safe flight and landing. Due to the use of sensitive solid state advanced components in analog and digital electronics circuits, these advanced systems are readily responsive to the transient effects of induced electrical current and voltage caused by the HIRF. The HIRF can degrade electronic systems performance by damaging components or upsetting system functions.

Furthermore, the HIRF environment has undergone a transformation that was not foreseen when the current requirements were developed. Higher energy levels are radiated from transmitters that are used for radar, radio, and television. Also, the number of transmitters has increased significantly. There is also uncertainty concerning the effectiveness of airframe shielding for HIRF. Furthermore, coupling to cockpit-installed equipment through the cockpit window apertures is undefined.

The combined effect of the technological advances in airplane design and the changing environment has resulted in an increased level of vulnerability of electrical and electronic

systems required for the continued safe flight and landing of the airplane. Effective measures against the effects of exposure to HIRF must be provided by the design and installation of these systems. The accepted maximum energy levels in which civilian airplane system installations must be capable of operating safely are based on surveys and analysis of existing radio frequency emitters. These special conditions required that the airplane be evaluated under these energy levels for the protection of the electronic system and its associated wiring harness. These external threat levels, which are lower than previous required values, are believed to represent the worst case to which an airplane would be exposed in the operating environment.

These special conditions require qualification of systems that perform critical functions, as installed in aircraft, to the defined HIRF environment in paragraph 1 or, as an option to a fixed value using laboratory tests, in paragraph 2, as follows:

(1) The applicant may demonstrate that the operation and operational capability of the installed electrical and electronic systems that perform critical functions are not adversely affected when the aircraft is exposed to the HIRF environment defined below:

FIELD STRENGTH VOLTS/METER

Frequency	Peak	Average
10–100 KHz	50	50
100–500	60	60
500-2000	70	70
2-30 MHz	200	200
30–70	30	30
70–100	30	30
100–200	150	33
200–400	70	70
400–700	4020	935
700–1000	1700	170
1–2 GHz	5000	990
2–4	6680	840
4–6	6850	310
6–8	3600	670
8–12	3500	1270
12–18	3500	360
18–40	2100	750

(2) The applicant may demonstrate by a system test and analysis that the electrical and electronic systems that perform critical functions can withstand a minimum threat of 100 volts per meter, peak electrical field strength, from 10 KHz to 18 GHz. When using this test to show compliance with the HIRF requirements, no credit is given for signal attenuation due to installation. A preliminary hazard analysis must be performed by the applicant, for approval by the FAA, to

identify electrical and/or electronic systems that perform critical functions. The term "critical" means those functions whose failure would contribute to, or cause, a failure condition that would prevent the continued safe flight and landing of the airplane. The systems identified by the hazard analysis that perform critical functions are candidates for the application of HIRF requirements. A system may perform both critical and non-critical functions. Primary electronic flight display systems, and their associated components, perform critical functions such as attitude, altitude, and airspeed indication. The HIRF requirements apply only to critical functions.

Compliance with HIRF requirements may be demonstrated by tests, analysis, models, similarity with existing systems, or any combination of these. Service experience alone is not acceptable since normal flight operations may not include an exposure to the HIRF environment. Reliance on a system with similar design features for redundancy as a means of protection against the effects of external HIRF is generally insufficient since all elements of a redundant system are likely to be exposed to the fields concurrently.

### Conclusion

In view of the design features discussed for the Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C airplanes, the following special conditions are issued. This action is not a rule of general applicability and affects only those applicants who apply to the FAA for approval of these features on these airplanes.

The substance of these special conditions has been subject to the notice and public comment procedure in several prior rulemaking actions. For example, the Dornier 228-200 (53 FR 14782, April 26, 1988), the Cessna Model 525 (56 FR 49396. September 30, 1991), and the Beech Models 200, A200, and B200 airplanes (57 FR 1220, January 13, 1992). It is unlikely that additional public comment would result in any significant change from those special conditions already issued. For these reasons, and because a delay would significantly affect the applicant's installation of the system and certification of the airplane, which is imminent, the FAA has determined that prior public notice and comment are unnecessary and impracticable, and good cause exists for adopting these special conditions without notice. Therefore, these special conditions are being made effective upon publication

in the Federal Register. However, as previously indicated, interested persons are invited to comment on these special conditions if they so desire.

List of Subjects in 14 CFR Part 23

Aircraft, Aviation safety, Signs and symbols.

#### Citation

The authority citation for these special conditions is as follows:

Authority: 49 U.S.C. 106(g), 40113, 44701, 44702, and 44704; 14 CFR 21.16 and 21.101; and 14 CFR 11.28 and 11.49.

### **Adoption of Special Conditions**

Accordingly, pursuant to the authority delegated to me by the Administrator, the following special conditions are issued as part of the type certification basis for the modified Beech Models 200, 200C, 200CT, 200T, B200, B200C, B200CT, B200T, 300, 300LW, B300, and B300C airplanes:

1. Protection of Electrical and Electronic Systems from High Intensity Radiated Fields (HIRF). Each system that performs critical functions must be designed and installed to ensure that the operations, and operational capabilities of these systems to perform critical functions, are not adversely affected when the airplane is exposed to high intensity radiated electromagnetic fields external to the airplane.

2. For the purpose of these special conditions, the following definition

applies:

Critical Functions: Functions whose failure would contribute to, or cause, a failure condition that would prevent the continued safe flight and landing of the airplane.

Issued in Kansas City, Missouri on November 28, 1995.

Henry A. Armstrong,

Acting Manager, Small Airplane Directorate, Aircraft Certification Service.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

# **Customs Service**

19 CFR Parts 19, 24, 146 and 151 [T.D. 95-99]

## Technical Amendments to the Customs Regulations

**AGENCY:** U.S. Customs Service, Department of the Treasury.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document makes various minor technical changes and corrections

to the Customs Regulations, in accordance with Customs policy of periodically reviewing its regulations to ensure that they are current.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 7, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** For part 151: William Kotlowy, Cargo Control, (202–927–1364).

For parts 19, 24 and 146: Marcus Sircus, Trade Compliance, (202–927–0510).

### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Background

The technical amendments summarized below are made with respect to parts 19, 24, 146 and 151, Customs Regulations (19 CFR parts 19, 24, 146 and 151).

### Discussion of Changes

1. The warehouse fee suspension authorized in § 9501 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (19 U.S.C. 58c(e)(6)(C)(ii)) is recognized by eliminating the references to this fee contained in §§ 19.2(a), 19.3(a), 19.17(a) and 24.21(b)(2), Customs Regulations (19 CFR 19.2(a), 19.3(a), 19.17(a) and 24.21(b)(2)). It is noted that § 19.5, which provided for the assessment of a fee to establish, alter or relocate a bonded warehouse, and for an annual operation fee with respect thereto, was previously removed from the Customs Regulations (see T.D. 92–81, 57 FR 37692, 37697 (August 20, 1992) and 60 FR 42431 (August 16, 1995)).

2. Furthermore, the foreign trade zone fee suspension also authorized in section 9501 of the Omnibus Budget Reconciliation Act of 1987 (see 19 U.S.C. 58c(e)(6)(C)(i)) is acknowledged by removing and reserving § 146.5, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 146.5), which required the assessment of an activation fee and an annual fee in relation to a zone. In addition, the references to this fee appearing in §§ 146.6(b)(1), 146.7(a) and (b), and 146.82(a)(6) are likewise deleted, with these provisions being amended as appropriate.

3.a. Generally, imported merchandise may not be opened, examined or inspected until it has been entered under some form of entry for consumption or warehouse. Exceptions to this general requirement are set forth in § 151.4, Customs Regulations (19 CFR 151.4).

In particular, § 151.4(c)(2), under the conditions prescribed therein, permits an operation not amounting to a manufacture to be performed in connection with imported merchandise entered or withdrawn for transportation under bond or for exportation, provided

that the permitted operation is approved by both the applicable Customs field office and the Commissioner of Customs. Customs has since decided, however, that this approval authority may simply remain at the field office level. To implement this change of policy, § 151.4(c)(2) is amended by removing the reference to the Commissioner of Customs. By simplifying the approval procedure as described, this amendment confers a benefit upon both the importing public as well as Customs itself.

3.b. Section 151.5(c) requires that the Government be reimbursed for the compensation and other expenses of the Customs officer who must supervise a permitted operation under § 151.4(b) and (c). It is stated that such compensation would be computed in accordance with § 19.5(b), Customs Regulations (19 CFR 19.5(b)). However, pursuant to T.D. 82-204, 47 FR 49355, 49365, 49374–49375 (November 1, 1982), the procedure for computing the charges for reimbursable Customs services then contained in § 19.5, including the compensation of Customs officers as detailed in § 19.5(b), was transferred to § 24.17(d) of the Customs Regulations (19 CFR 24.17(d)). See also the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in this matter, 47 FR 9225, 9231 (March 4, 1982). (As previously noted, § 19.5, due to the warehouse fee suspension, was later removed from the Customs Regulations in its entirety.)

Accordingly, § 151.5(c) is amended by removing the reference to "§ 19.5(b)" and inserting in place thereof a reference to "§ 24.17(d)".

Inapplicability of Public Notice and Comment and Delayed Effective Date Requirements, the Regulatory Flexibility Act, and Executive Order 12866

Because the amendments merely conform to existing law or regulation, or simplify an administrative procedure resulting in a benefit to the importing public as noted above, notice and public procedure in this case are inapplicable and unnecessary pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), and, pursuant to 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), a delayed effective date is not required. Since this document is not subject to the aforesaid requirements of 5 U.S.C. 553, it is not subject to the provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act (5 U.S.C. 601 et seq.). Nor do these amendments result in a "significant regulatory action" under E.O. 12866.

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